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Dear Examiner:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated May 4,
2005, that was made final. Please amend the claims as shown in the Listing and
consider the following Remarks.

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this communication.